





May the 4th be with you! Anne & John Bellavance continued their excellent Way2happiness seminar, the theme being around marriage and family. As such holding a marriage blessing was in order. 3 couples received the blessing, all Ambassadors for Peace. We are very proud of the continued effort of UPF and WFWP for holding these events.

Mother's Day Service:

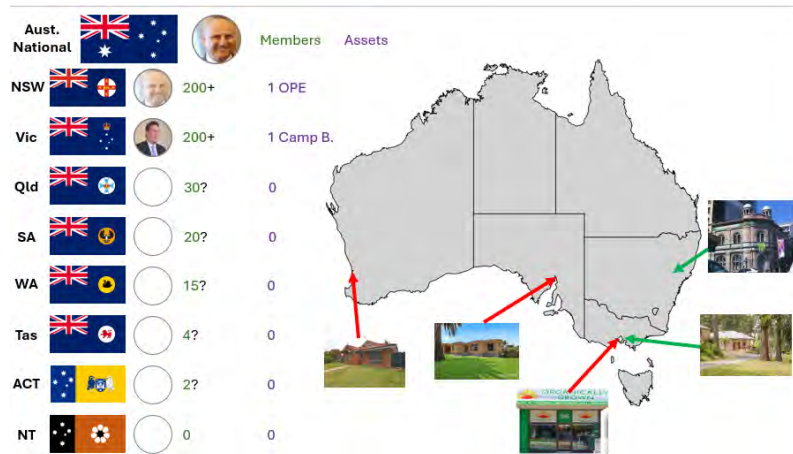
5th May



Melbourne church held a Mother's Day service early. It is very poignant to recognise our mothers in the wake of the recent education about True Mother. A raffle was held for Mothers and the uncles prepared a BBQ lunch.

Proposal for the future, A way forward:

5th May



Rev Daniel has put together a proposal to purchase an investment property in Victoria to generate income, and a house in Perth and Adelaide as seed properties for the future development of those States. The proposal was met with a very positive reception and the VFT have agreed to proceed with a property valuation and preliminary research.

Sewerage connection begins:

8th May



Finally the pipes are being laid to connect our toilets with the sewerage tank. This will complete the project of getting the property off septic tanks and onto town sewerage. We hope it is concluded in the next month or so.

Visiting the Black Saturday Memorial:

9th May



Rev Daniel & family visited the Black Saturday Memorial on the way to Sydney. They offered flowers and a sincere prayer for those lost. Black Saturday was a tragedy and resulted in 173 deaths, as well as the destruction of 2 towns in Victoria on and around 7th February 2009.

Regional Cheon Bo in Sydney:

11th May



Victorian members attended the Regional Cheon Bo in Sydney, both in person and online. The National event welcomed Rev In-cheon Kim who is currently travelling to different nations in Asia Pacific to officiate Cheon Bo events.



Pastor Steve held a Mothers Day service at his church. During this service he asked children to share about their Mothers. William Meadows spoke in front of the church about why he loves his mother. After readings there was a special celebration and feast in honour of all Mothers. On this occasion we could continue to build contacts for PCLC as we met brother Benjamin, who is studying to become a Catholic priest.

The A-team out witnessing:

21st May



Candace Robertson and Debbie Bruce got out and about meeting Ministers and Christian leaders, promoting PCLC. Thank you for your hard work Sisters!

Stump removal & further plumbing:

22nd May



James Babb and Chris Bruce cut the remaining dead trunks near the main hall and ground down the stumps in between the Hall and cabins. This is in preparation to install the new children's play equipment. The mulch from the stumps will be levelled in the coming weeks. The sewerage continued construction, they have completed the sections in the soccer field and up the bank.





The 1st Melbourne PCLC, and 3rd in person fellowship, was held with great success this Wednesday. Pastor Steve Khan gave a “PCLC Perfect” talk about how ministers from different denominations can support each other, both spiritually and practically. We received an opening prayer from Bishop Nelson Pervaz, who is a founding member of PCLC, and also had words from Pastor John Lamb and Apostle Adeniyi Ekine. Rev Greg Hanson gave the closing prayer. Several ministers were under the weather and could not attend in person, so we had the zoom link open and are grateful for their support. Many suggestions came forward from the ministers on how the gatherings may be improved and expanded.

Plumbing work continuing:

23rd May



Pipes have been laid and signed off up to the toilet block, the next step is to empty the septic tanks and connect the pipes to the sewerage line. Special care was taken to add side pipes for future toilets.

AV lock up:

26th May



Chris Bruce has made a simple lock up door for our AV system. This will prevent clients who use the hall from changing the settings on the mixer and fiddling with attachments, which had become a problem every now and then. This is part of the many overdue upgrades in Camp Belgrave that we are trying to complete before July.

Rev Daniel Visits Geelong & West Melbourne:

28th May





The Apps family have been taking ownership in the city of Geelong which is situated on the west side of Port Phillip Bay. Their family has a strong culture of Ahn Shi Il and Holy Day observance. They were also present for the dedicating of the Geelong Holy Tree. We decided that this tree is the “Family Holy Tree”, as it so many branches. It also looks as though two hands are holding up the centre, like and mother and father supporting their family. Geelong is a very relaxing place and a beautiful city to raise a family. We were shown to the prayer room in the Hospital whose design was overseen by the Geelong Interfaith Network, Randall Apps is the sitting President. We were also blessed to meet with the Beke family in Werribee, Mother Patricia Beke welcomed us very warmly.

Meeting with Hillview Community church Leaders:

29th May



Rev Daniel and AP Melanie met with Dave Apelt the leader of Christian Community church in Rowville. It was an informal 'get to know you' meeting and many areas were discussed, in which we found a lot of common ground. We invited him, if interested, to join in PCLC and he asked to read the Divine Principle first before committing to anything. We will drop off a DP black book in the coming weeks.

Melanie on Radio:

30th May



Assistant Pastor Melanie Moreau has appeared as a guest on Geelong Interfaith Network's Radio hour on the local radio station. Randall Apps co-hosts this segment each month and has helped create an opportunity for Melanie in this area. Melanie has a strong desire to see the music industry restored to a wholesome industry. We are very happy to see our second gen work towards their dreams and partaking in culture building.

Report by Dr Yves Moreau:

Meeting with Opposition Leader, Hon. Peter Dutton

Invited by a VIP friend to enjoy a special dinner with a large number of MPs, Senators and Hon. Peter Dutton as a special guest, among a total of 550 participants.

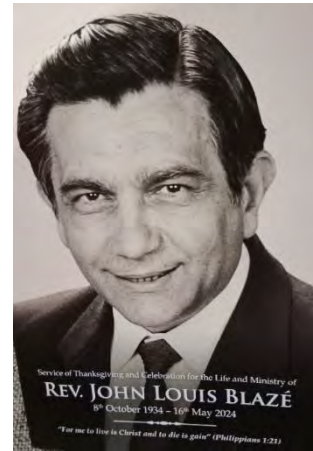
Gave Hon. Peter Dutton a FFWPU Ambassador for Peace card “The family is the school of love”.

He stated his support for faith-based schools being able to hire staff who subscribe to their ethos and values.



**The ascension of Rev. John *Louis* Blazé, 89 years old,
08.10.1934 - 16.05.2024**

Active member of the Liberal Party for several decades and engaged in the **Coalition for marriage** campaign in 2017.
Appointed Ambassador for Peace on 11 March 2017 in Clayton.
Rev. Blazé received the Holy Wine with his wife Annette in 2018.
Joined a watch party of the inauguration of WCLC in December 2019.
PCLC Pastor participant in Oct. 2023 Belgrave & online in Feb. 2024



Rev. Blazé was born in Sri Lanka (Ceylon). He was proud of his French Huguenot origin and his connection to the early Armenian Church bishop and martyr St Blaise.

For many years after Sri Lanka’s independence, a cultural preference was given to the Singali people and language which resulted in a massive migration of Sri Lankans of European descent, the “Burghers” to Australia.

Soon after arriving in Australia, Rev. Blaze was selected to run in the 400-metre event in the 1956 Melbourne Olympics, only to be disqualified at the last minute due to having lived in Australia for less than 12 months.

For decades, Rev. Blazé helped Sri Lankan migrants settle in Australia. We recall participating in fundraising lunches for the Sri Lankan community in Melbourne a few years ago.

Rev. Blazé was a well-respected preacher for the Uniting Church for a few decades. A few hundred people attended his funeral on Friday 31 May showing their love and appreciation for this caring man who “Lived for Others”.

